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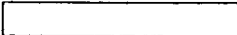
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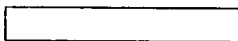
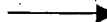
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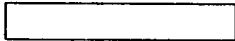

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**As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Curable Starch Composition, Modified Starch, Preparation Method and Articles

(Title of the Invention)

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